

Hazardous Substances Emergency Events Surveillance (HSEES) Program

Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services
2005 HSEES Events – Quarterly Summary *
April 1 through June 30 (Second Quarter)

ST. LOUIS CITY

	Fixed Facility	Transportation	Total
County events this quarter:	2	3	5
Statewide events this quarter:	49	48	97

Types of Substances Released:

Acetone
Aromatic Naphtha Light
Mercury
Paint Not Otherwise Specified (NOS)
Resin NOS

Number of Victims: 0

Types of Injuries Sustained: N/A

Injury Outcomes: N/A

Number of Events with Evacuations: 0

Number of People Evacuated: N/A

Interesting Events:

April 2005 – A malfunctioning valve on a storage tank caused the release of 1500 gallons of Aromatic Naphtha Light. A third party contractor was hired to cleanup the spill.

May 2005 – Two teachers at a high school reported a mercury release in a classroom. The mercury leaked from a barometer that had been laid flat - it should have been tilted or leaned against something to keep the mercury in its tube. The teachers were decontaminated by shedding impacted clothing. The classroom was sealed off from use until an environmental emergency response representative arrived to assess the release and conduct clean up.

All other events were minor transportation spills.

* Preliminary data – subject to change

